GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Sale of e-Cigarettes
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has prohibited the sale of e-cigarettes but its consumption and vaping is growing rapidly as it is freely being sold online and in a variety of shops in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken note that young children are modifying the e-cigarettes for the consumption of various drugs being sold in catridges illegally;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective stage taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) & (b): The Governments of Karnataka, Kerala and Punjab have banned e-cigarettes under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Food Safety & Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on Sales) Regulation, 2011. However, the Ministry has not issued any guidelines in this regard.
Further, no such data of growing consumption of e-cigarettes is presently available with the Ministry.
(c) & (d): No such information is presently available with this Ministry.
(e): Does not arise.
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